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PROGRAMME OF MEETINGS AND AGENDA

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Tuesday, 24 September 1996

SECURITY COUNCIL

3.30 p.m. consultations of the whole (closed) Consultation Room

Afghanistan

Briefing by Mr. Marrack Goulding, Under-Secretary-General for Political Affairs

Cyprus

Briefing by Mr. Han Sung-Joo, Special Representative of the Secretary-General for Cyprus

Former Yugoslavia (S/RES/1022 (1995), para. 4)

Other matters

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 6th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. William J. Clinton, President of the United States of America
2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

Address by His Excellency Mr. Andris Šķēle, Prime Minister of the Republic of Latvia

Ireland

Russian Federation

United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland

Belgium

Croatia

3 p.m.	7th PLENARY MEETING	General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Aleksander Kwasniewski, President of the Republic of Poland.
2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Denmark

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Ryutaro Hashimoto, Prime Minister of Japan.

   Canada

   Egypt

   Costa Rica

   Republic of Moldova

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	4th meeting	Conference Room 2

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-ninth session [148] (A/51/17 and A/51/154)

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

3 p.m.- 6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 10

Subject

Financing of the United Nations Protection Force, the United Nations Confidence Restoration Operation in Croatia, the United Nations Preventive Deployment Force and the United Nations Peace Forces headquarters

MEETINGS OTHER THAN MEETINGS OF UNITED NATIONS BODIES

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Tuesday, 24 September 1996

GROUP OF 15

10 a.m.-1 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6
3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Conference Room 6

NON-ALIGNED MOVEMENT: COMMEMORATIVE MEETING OF THE THIRTY-FIFTH ANNIVERSARY

3 p.m.-6 p.m.	closed meeting	Trusteeship Council Chamber

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The meeting of the Special Committee on Peace-keeping Operations scheduled for *today*, 24 September, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, has been postponed until further notice.

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The Chairman of the Commission for Social Development's briefing for Member States on the work of the Commission, scheduled for Wednesday, 25 September 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 4, has been canceled.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

Resumed substantive session of 1996

The following documents are available for delegations to retrieve outside room S-2994 (one copy per delegation): E/1996/CRP.3/ Rev.1 (Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227 on further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields: provisions related to the Economic and Social Council); and E/1996/ CRP.5 (Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: analysis of the agenda items of the Economic and Social Council and comparison with items considered by the Second and Third Committees of the General Assembly).

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

Wednesday, 25 September 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

10 a.m. 8th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Kiro Gligorov, President of The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia.
2. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alvaro Arzú Irigoyen, President of the Republic of Guatemala.
3. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Germany

   Address by His Excellency Mr. Göran Persson, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Sweden

   China

   France

   Algeria

3 p.m. 9th PLENARY MEETING General Assembly Hall

1. Address by His Excellency Mr. Alija Izetbegović, President of the Republic of Bosnia and Herzegovina.
2. Continuation of the general debate [9]:

   Federated States of Micronesia

   Austria

   Address by His Excellency Dr. Janez Drnovsek, Prime Minister of the Republic of Slovenia

   Luxembourg

   South Africa

   Address by His Excellency The Honourable Basdeo Panday, Prime Minister of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago

Committees

SIXTH COMMITTEE

10 a.m. 5th meeting Conference Room 2

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ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE AND BUDGETARY QUESTIONS

10.30 a.m. closed meeting

3 p.m. closed meeting

Conference Room 10

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The Special Committee on the Situation with Regard to the Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples will hold informal consultations on Wednesday, 25 September 1996, at 10.30 a.m. in Conference Room 9, to discuss the proposed amendments of the European Union to the resolutions relating, respectively, to the question of dissemination of information on decolonization (A/AC.109/2063) and activities of foreign economic and other interests which impede the implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples in Territories under Colonial Domination (A/AC.109/2064).

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

The Committee on Non-governmental Organizations will meet on Wednesday, 2 October 1996, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 1 to take up outstanding matters.

Prior to this meeting, the Committee will hold an informal (closed) meeting on Tuesday, 1 October 1996, at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 7.

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Open-ended consultations on the outstanding issues before the resumed session of the Economic and Social Council as well as the Second and Third Committees will take place from 7 to 9 October 1996. The Conference Room will be announced.

The resumed substantive session of 1996 of the Economic and Social Council will be convened on 10 October, and from 13 to 14 November 1996. The provisional agenda for the resumed session is contained in document E/1996/93. The following items will be taken up as follows:

10 October 1996

1. Social, humanitarian and human rights questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: Human rights questions [5 (d)]

13-14 November 1996

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters [1]

   Selection of themes for the High-level and Coordination segments for the 1997 substantive session of the Council

2. Economic and environmental questions: reports of subsidiary bodies, conferences and related questions: follow-up to General Assembly resolution 50/106: business and development [6 (I)]

3. Non-governmental organizations [10]

4. Programme and related questions in the economic, social and related fields [11]

5. Implementation of General Assembly resolution 50/227: "Further measures for the restructuring and revitalization of the United Nations in the economic, social and related fields" [13]

6. Elections [14]

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Prepared texts for distribution
in the meeting room and to the press

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In order to facilitate press coverage of statements made in plenary meetings and in the Main Committees of the General Assembly, an additional 150 copies are required for distribution to accredited correspondents in the press area. Those copies should be delivered in advance of the speech to the Press Documents Counter, Room S-390. As soon as received, the availability of the texts will be announced through the press paging system by the Correspondents Liaison Unit, Department of Public Information.

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The eighth annual meeting of senior officials of the Group of 77 and the twentieth annual ministerial meeting will be held on Thursday, and Friday, 26 and 27 September 1996, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber, respectively.

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Conference

The opening of the conference on "Empowerment in Action: Women in Decision-making", sponsored by the United Nations Development Programme, the Columbia University School of International and Public Affairs and the Friedrich Ebert Foundation, will take place on Wednesday, 25 September 1996, at 4 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber. [For more information, contact the UNDP Department of Public Affairs (tel.: 212-906-6111).]

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Commemorative meeting

A commemorative meeting on the "Review of Progress on the Goals Set at the World Summit for Children" will take place on Monday, 30 September 1996, at 9 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber. The President of the General Assembly will preside the meeting, which will be addressed by the Secretary-General, ministerial level representatives of the six Summit initiator countries (Canada, Egypt, Mali, Mexico, Pakistan and Sweden) and the Executive Director of UNICEF. The meeting is open to all delegations and special guests. All attendees are kindly requested to be seated by 8.50 a.m.

SUMMARY OF SCHEDULED MEETINGS

Friday, 20 September 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

AD HOC COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THE MID-TERM REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS NEW AGENDA FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AFRICA IN THE 1990s — 4th meeting

Conduct of the mid-term review [5]

The Committee of the Whole resumed its consideration of agenda item 5.

Draft conclusions of the mid-term review

The Chairman made a statement.

The Chairmen of Working Group I (Mr. S. Insanally (Guyana)) and Working Group II (Mr. A. Reyn (Belgium)), respectively, informed the Ad Hoc Committee of the outcome of the informal consultations held in the two Working Groups.

The meeting was suspended.

Upon resumption of the meeting, the Ad Hoc Committee approved the draft conclusions of the mid-term review of the UN-NADAF, as orally amended during informal consultations.

The Ad Hoc Committee also decided to annex the draft conclusions of the mid-term review of the UN-NADAF to draft resolution A/AC.251/L.2 and that it would be included in the report of the Ad Hoc Committee to the General Assembly at its fifty-first session.

Draft resolution A/AC.251/L.2

The representative of Uganda made a statement and proposed an oral amendment to the draft resolution.

The Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee made a statement.

The Ad Hoc Committee then adopted the draft resolution, as orally amended, as well as the Annex containing the draft conclusions of the mid-term review.

The representative of the United States made a statement.

The Ad Hoc Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 5.

Adoption of the report of the Ad Hoc Committee [6]

Document A/AC.251/L.1

The Ad Hoc Committee began its consideration of the agenda item.

The Secretary of the Ad Hoc Committee made a statement.

The Rapporteur, Mr. D. Rovensky (Czech Republic), introduced and orally revised the report.

The Ad Hoc Committee adopted the report, as orally revised.

Oral decision

The Ad Hoc Committee decided to entrust the Rapporteur with finalizing the report with a view to its submission to the General Assembly at its fifty-first session.

The Ad Hoc Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 6.

Closure of the session

A spokesperson for the non-governmental organizations made a concluding statement.

The Special Coordinator for Africa and the LDCs made a concluding statement on behalf of the Under-Secretary-General for Policy Coordination and Sustainable Development.

The Chairman made a concluding statement.

The representative of Cameroon made a concluding statement.

The Chairman declared the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole of the General Assembly for the mid-term review of the implementation of the United Nations Agenda for the Development of Africa in the 1990s closed.

Monday, 23 September 1996

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Fifty-first session

4th plenary meeting

Opening of the general debate [9]

The President of the General Assembly reminded the members of the decision taken by the General Assembly at its 3rd plenary meeting on 20 September that congratulations should not be expressed inside the General Assembly Hall after a speech had been delivered.

In this connection, the President recalled a decision taken by the Assembly at the same meeting that speakers in the general debate, after having delivered their statements, should leave the Assembly Hall through room GA-200 at the rear of the podium before returning to their seats.

The President also reminded representatives that the list of speakers would be closed on Wednesday, 25 September 1996, at 6 p.m., and requested delegations to provide estimated speaking times that were as accurate as possible, so that the meetings could be planned in an orderly way.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Luiz Felipe Palmeira Lampreia, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Brazil, and H.E. The Honourable Philip Muller, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Marshall Islands.

His Excellency Mr. Marc Forne Molne, President of the Government of the Principality of Andorra, addressed theGeneral Assembly.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Guido Di Tella, Minister for Foreign Affairs, International Trade and Worship of Argentina, H.E. Mr. Irakli Menagarishvili, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Georgia, H.E. Mr. Venancio de Moura, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Angola, and H.E. Dr. Ali Akbar Velayati, Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Islamic Republic of Iran.

5th plenary meeting

Address by His Excellency Mr. Ernesto Samper Pizano, President of the Republic of Colombia

His Excellency Mr. Ernesto Samper Pizano, President of the Republic of Colombia, addressed the General Assembly.

Continuation of the general debate [9]

His Excellency The Rt. Hon. Sir Julius Chan, Prime Minister of Papua New Guinea, addressed the General Assembly.

Her Excellency Dr. Gro Harlem Brundtland, Prime Minister of the Kingdom of Norway, addressed the General Assembly.

The Assembly heard statements by H.E. Mr. Seyoum Mesfin, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Ethiopia, and H.E. Mr. Francisco Tudela Van Breugel Douglas, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Peru.

His Excellency Mr. Abdellatif Filali, Prime Minister and Minister for Foreign Affairs and Cooperation of the Kingdom of Morocco, addressed the General Assembly.

The Assembly heard a statement by H.E. Mr. Ernesto Leal, Minister for Foreign Affairs of Nicaragua.

Statements in the exercise of the right of reply were made by the representatives of the United Kingdom, France, Spain and Argentina.

Committees

FIFTH COMMITTEE 2nd meeting

Election of the Vice-Chairmen

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Klaus-Dieter Stein (Germany) and Mr. Syed Rafiqul Alom (Bangladesh) as the Vice-Chairmen.

Election of the Rapporteur

The Committee elected, by acclamation, Mr. Igor V. Goumeny (Ukraine) as Rapporteur.

The representative of Nicaragua made a statement pursuant to the provisions of rule 110 of the rules of procedure of the General Assembly.

Organization of work

The Committee began its consideration of the question and heard a statement by the Chairman.

Statements concerning the Committee's tentative programme of work were made by the representatives of Cuba, the Netherlands, the Czech Republic, Egypt, Germany, Slovakia, Uganda, Ireland, the United Kingdom, Mexico, the United States, the Syrian Arab Republic, Portugal and Tunisia.

The Chairman, the Chairman of the Advisory Committee, the Controller and the Secretary of the Committee made statements in response to questions raised during the discussion.

The Committee approved its organization of work as contained in the chart.

The Committee decided, on the proposal of the Chairman, that nominations to the subsidiary organs of the General Assembly would be closed on 21 October 1996 at 6 p.m. and that elections to those organs would be held on 8 November 1996.

SIXTH COMMITTEE 3rd meeting

Report of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law on the work of its twenty-ninth session (A/51/17 and A/51/154) [148]

Mrs. Ana Piaggi de Vanossi (Argentina), Chairman of the United Nations Commission on International Trade Law (UNCITRAL), introduced UNCITRAL's report on the work of its twenty-ninth session.

Statements were made by the representatives of Kenya, Germany, Slovakia, Japan, United States, Rumania and the Islamic Republic of Iran.

Organization of work

The Committee adopted its program of work (to be issued as document A/C6/51/L.2). The representatives of Sweden and Romania spoke. The Chairman made a statement.

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Convention on the Rights of the Child

COMMITTEE ON THE RIGHTS OF THE CHILD
Thirteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

MONDAY, 23 SEPTEMBER 1996

315th meeting

Opening of the session

An opening statement was made by the High Commissioner for Human Rights.

Adoption of the agenda [1]

The Committee adopted its provisional agenda (CRC/C/55).

Organizational and other matters [2]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

Submission of reports by States parties in accordance with article 44 of the Convention [3]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

316th (closed) meeting

General discussion on "The child and the media" [6]

The Committee considered the item.

Methods of work of the Committee, including guidelines for periodic reports [8]

The Committee began its consideration of the item.

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ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL COUNCIL

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

AD HOC INTERGOVERNMENTAL PANEL ON FORESTS
Third session
United Nations Office at Geneva

THURSDAY, 19 SEPTEMBER 1996

4th meeting

International organizations and multilateral institutions and instruments, including appropriate legal mechanisms [6]

The Panel resumed its consideration of discussion of programme element V.1.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Canada, Switzerland, Japan, Australia and Mexico, as well as by the observers for Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) and Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

A statement was also made by the observer of Greenpeace International, (a non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council (Category II)), on behalf of a number of non-governmental organizations.

The Panel then resumed consideration of programme element V.2 and heard statements by the representatives of Canada, the United States, Switzerland, Japan, the Philippines, Malaysia, Mexico, India, Brazil, Uganda, Peru, Colombia and Gabon, as well as by the observers for Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), New Zealand, Argentina and Indonesia.

Statements were also made by the observers of the following non-governmental organizations: Greenpeace International (on behalf of a number of non-governmental organizations) the Environmental Investigation Agency (Roster).

FRIDAY, 20 SEPTEMBER 1996

5th meeting

Adoption of the report on its third session [8]

The Panel began its consideration of the item and had before it and informal paper containing a draft introduction to the report of the third session.

The Chairman orally revised the draft introduction.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Japan, Switzerland, Germany, India, Colombia, Italy, Finland and Australia as well as by the observers for Ireland (on behalf of the European Union), Indonesia, Portugal and Norway.

The representative of FAO also made a statement.

The Rapporteur introduced the report contained in document E/ CN.17/IPF/1996/L.3.

The Panel also had before it a number of informal papers on all the programme elements under agenda items 2 to 6.

The Panel took note of the draft introduction to the report, as revised and amended, and the informal papers and then adopted its report.

Concluding statements were made by the Co-Chairmen.

Statements were made by the representative of the United States, as well as by the observers for Ireland (on behalf of the European Union) and Costa Rica (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China).

The Co-Chairman declared the third session of the Ad Hoc Intergovernmental Panel closed.

SIGNATURES, RATIFICATIONS, ETC.

[MULTILATERAL TREATIES DEPOSITED WITH THE SECRETARY-GENERAL]

Amendment to the Montreal Protocol on Substances that Deplete the Ozone Layer, adopted at the Fourth Meeting of the Parties at Copenhagen on 25 November 1992

Acceptance : Austria (19 September 1996)*

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* The date of receipt of relevant documents.

OPENING FOR SIGNATURE

Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty, adopted by the General Assembly on 10 September 1996

The Treaty will be opened for signature *today*, 24 September 1996. The signature ceremony will commence at 9.30 a.m. in the Trusteeship Council Chamber and continue until 1 p.m and will resume at 3 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber.

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